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## DON'T WANT CLARK SHORN OF POWER

His Ready Renunciation of Speaker's Rights Already Regretted by Democrats.

### THEY FORESEE DIFFICULTIES

Resolution to Give Him Full Authority Has Been Prepared.

New York, December 21.—Champ Clark's ready relinquishment of the power of appointing committees has been followed by the raising of a doubt in many Democratic minds whether after all they desire him to do so.

As the prospective embarrassments and difficulties of selecting the vast number of chairmanships and assignments to place on the committee loom ominously into view there are indications of a change of heart.

As a matter of fact, the demand for this radical change in procedure had a "joker" in it, some Democrats say. It was the only campaign material of a faction that was trying to make trouble for Champ Clark's election to the speakership.

They could not muster one good and sufficient reason for asking that the honor which Champ Clark had earned should be denied him.

Assuming that perhaps he might insist on appointing the committees, they seized upon the opposite policy as a possible rallying cry.

Clark, unconvinced, submits. In that they reckoned without their host. Without losing any time, and while State delegations were tumbling over each other to endorse him, Mr. Clark went aside, in a public declaration, the last prop of the opposition.

"So let it be," declared Mr. Clark's statement, in reference to appointment of committees by a committee on committees, through caucus selection. "The plan meets my approval."

Then he added, in a spirit of grim prophecy of apprehended difficulties to be encountered, which already is coming true:

"I hope it may be worked out so carefully and wisely it may not demoralize the House."

It has taken only a week of rumination and reflection to convince a great many Democrats that the new plan is not all beer and skittles. The more they look into the "wise and

careful working out of details," the more difficulties they see.

Counter Movement Started. Already a counter movement has set in. A resolution has been prepared by one of the elder statesmen and will be introduced in "caucus," to assemble here January 19, which provides as follows:

"Resolved, that upon assuming the Speakership the Hon. Champ Clark is hereby authorized to appoint all the committees of the House, the minority members of said committee to be composed of Republican representatives to be designated by the leader of the minority."

The resolution goes further, however, and authorizes Mr. Clark to appoint a tentative committee on ways and means to investigate tariff conditions and report to a Democratic caucus to be held just prior to the assembly of the next Congress.

It is predicted by some of the more thoughtful Democrats that in the coming "caucus"—which, indeed, is but a conference and should be so designated—some such alternative as this will have to be adopted to compose the conflicting claims of ambitious members of the House for place on the tentative Committee on Ways and Means.

New House Must Decide.

Of course, it is well understood that nothing official can be done until the new House of Representatives assembles. Its members sworn in and its organization effective. Nothing accomplished by a hundred caucuses thereabout amount to anything until ratified by vote of the House.

The rules of the new House will have to be adopted and a change made, specifically, directing the method of appointing committees. Naturally, a party that has assailed the rules of this House so severely cannot proceed for a moment under them, but must necessarily effect at once the reforms it has preached before turning another wheel.

That is where the fight will come over the appointment of the Committee.

Some idea of the difficulty of making up the committees by popular action can be estimated when it is stated that the organization of the committees involves consideration of 800 places. That is to say, there are 800 holes for the placing of 800 pegs, with necessarily a great deal of shifting in the operation.

Many Seeling Place.

Furthermore, as shown in the experience of the past, there are on the average three applicants for every single desirable place. That was the way Speakers have found, according to an inquiry made to-day, the committee on committees would probably consist of fifteen or seventeen members, each with his own friend to be placed.

Another difficulty has arisen in the last few days in the inquiries from new members of the next House as to how their interests are to be protected in the prospective revolution. Some of these queries breathe a spirit of suspicion lest the "older statesmen" are preparing to stack the cards so that all the seats and trumps may fall to the members of the old regime.

These new members will be down here January 19, however, some of them have written that they are coming January 5.

## AFTER THE BALDWIN MILLIONS



MISS BEATRICE EMILY BALDWIN.

MRS. LILLIAN ASHLEY TURNBULL.



LUCKY BALDWIN.

when the House reassembles, to look after their interests.

They will have a potential say in the conference of January 19. The whole question of choosing the committees may be put over until next December.

It is considered quite certain, however, that a tentative ways and means committee will be appointed to conduct tariff hearings and investigations during the same, so as to be ready to report early in the next session what schedules should be put up for revision.

Oscar Underwood, of Alabama, a recognized tariff authority, will unquestionably be made chairman of the committee, and will be retained as permanent chairman. In point of fact, the Democrats haven't many men who have made a study of the details of tariff rates.

The lack of responsibility and the utility of resistance have served to discourage Democrats from posting themselves on the technicalities of the tariff. It is a highly technical proposition throughout.

### CHICAGO FLYER WRECKED.

Dozen Persons Injured When Fast Train Hits Engine.

Chicago, December 21.—A dozen persons were injured, one perhaps fatally, in a collision to-day between the Manhattan Flyer on the Pennsylvania Railroad and a switch engine on the city street. The locomotive of the flyer was thrown off the track, finally crashing against a viaduct girder, when the boiler exploded and set fire to the baggage car and mail coach. Harry Westernman, engineer of the flyer, was crushed and scalded by steam; he probably will die. Others injured included:

Clem Miller, Bucyrus, O., passenger; bruised and cut.

Mrs. Augusta Hauss and three children, en route to Pittsburg; cut, bruised and trampled.

The baggage and mail cars were destroyed, with their contents. In the front end of the mail car, the part first burned, had been stored a large amount of Christmas mail, all of which was destroyed.

### TO FLY OVER GRAND CANYON.

Aviators Deem It Necessary to Ascend 9,000 Feet Above Sea Level.

Topeka, Kan., December 21.—The flight by aviators over the Grand Canyon of the Colorado River in Arizona is to be an event of the near future, if proper arrangements can be made. The aeroplane men are not confident that such a flight is practicable, because of the probable suction when over the "ditch." The Grand Canyon is 7,200 feet above the sea level, and from the rim to the Colorado River, the lowest

part of the canyon is 5,000 feet. It is about thirteen miles across where the flight will be made.

The aviators say that they must first ascend 2,000 feet above the ground before hovering over the canyon, to avoid the chance of suction from below. If this is done the machines would then be about 5,000 feet above the sea, about as high as any of them has yet gone.

### WHITTIER POEMS FOUND.

Biography of Distinguished Poet Makes Important Discovery.

Amesbury, Mass., December 21.—Samuel T. Pickard, the biographer of John Greenleaf Whittier, and now living in the old Whittier home in this town, tells of his recent discovery of a "whole nest of poems by Whittier never before recognized as his."

In commenting on his study of a volume of the New England Review of 1830-31, Mr. Pickard says: "While it was edited by Whittier, I found much that has escaped me hitherto. I have found a whole nest of poems by Whittier never before recognized as his. The signature was the old one, 'Peramora.' I find that these 'Peramora' poems are Whittier's, and that he used this signature before and after he became editor of the Review."

### VALUABLE WOOLENS STOLEN.

Were on Wagon in Front of Place Where There Is a Strike.

Chicago, December 21.—Five thousand dollars' worth of woollens waiting to be delivered to non-union tailor shops were stolen to-day from a place whose garment-workers are on a strike.

The goods had been loaded on a wagon and were in a barn ready for immediate delivery, to be made up into clothing. Shortly afterward, however, it was discovered that the place had been broken into and the goods taken away.

### CRUCE WON'T ATTEND HIS INAUGURAL BALL

Governor-Elect of Oklahoma Objects to Wearing Dress Suit.

NO "FRIED SHIRTS" FOR HIM

Shocks Society Leaders by Saying He Prefers Staying Home.

Oklahoma City, Okla., December 21.—Just because he has inborn and strenuous objections to the wearing of a "fried shirt" and a dress suit, Governor-elect Cruce, of this State, has decided that he will not attend his own inaugural ball, and, for the first time in the memory of any of the inhabitants around here, and ball will be held without the presence of the man in whose honor it is given.

The governor-elect made many inquiries among all the leading sartorial experts of the country as to whether it would not be permissible for him to tend in his usual working clothes—after having them pressed, of course—but all the authorities answered, No. "No!" So, rather than subject himself to the tyranny of a stiff shirt and a swallow-tail coat, he has decided to "cut" his own dance and stay at home. All the society leaders here are much chagrined.

### SUPPERS FROM LACK OF RAIN.

Total Precipitation in Lynchburg Section Since Oct. 29 An Inch and a Half.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, December 21.—This section of Virginia, while there have been some good rains during the past 60 days, is suffering considerably on account of deficient rainfall, for the total precipitation since the 29th of October has been just about an inch and a half, or less than half the normal precipitation for either of the months involved in the drought.

The entire rain for November was less than an inch, and less than a half an inch has fallen thus far this month. As a result, the James River here is

## "THIRD DEGREE" IS ADMINISTERED

Mrs. Turnbull Grilled Without Mercy in Baldwin Will Contest.

Los Angeles, Cal., December 21.—For three hours to-day Mrs. Lillian A. Turnbull again experienced a third had ever seen it. Then she demanded cross-examination in the will contest to obtain for her daughter a \$2,500,000 share of the "Lucky" Baldwin estate.

Reviewing her previous testimony, Attorney McNab caused Mrs. Turnbull to repeat former declarations that there had been a contract of marriage, but that no one but herself and Baldwin had ever seen it. Then she demanded to know whether she had ever been introduced by the turkman as his wife or whether she had been recognized by any one as Mrs. Baldwin. McNab drew from the witness the admission that Baldwin had referred to her as Mrs. Baldwin before only five persons. Three of these were negro servants and two were white men.

The registers of hotels here and in San Diego were introduced to show that Mrs. Turnbull had registered herself as Lillian Ashley after the alleged marriage to Baldwin. After she had reiterated her former testimony that she regarded herself as the turkman's wife, the cross-examiner suddenly asked:

"While you were at Baldwin's home at Santa Anita did you not ask the manager there, Mr. Lawrence, how often Mrs. Lillie Bennett Baldwin came to visit her husband's ranch home?"

"I did not," disclaimed the witness. "I did not know who was Baldwin's wife until some months later."

Mrs. Turnbull testified that besides ex-Governor Long, of Massachusetts, she had told Olin Vethorn, now a Federal judge in Los Angeles, but one of her attorneys in the former suit, of the marriage contract. Moreover, she said she also wrote of her marriage to several girl friends. She could not recall the first name of one of these friends or her address, nor could she recall anything of subsequent correspondence with them.

"I felt my shame so keenly later that I dropped all my old friends and neither wrote to or heard from them afterwards," she said.

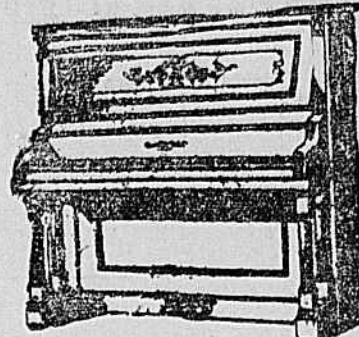
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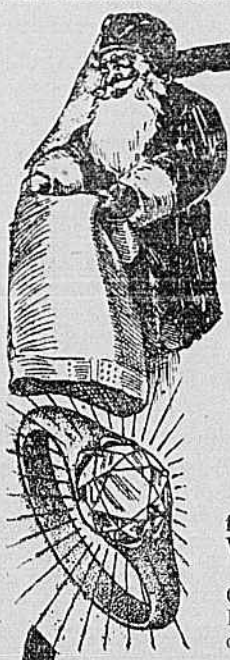
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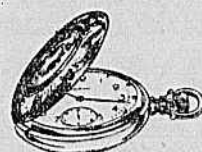
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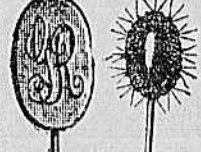
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